

The Whole Truth

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"The law of truth was in his mouth and iniquity was not found in his mouth." MAL. 2:6. "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." JOHN 8:32.

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ASSEMBLY MOTIONS ON

The April Call Meeting produced another lively chapter in the history of the General Assembly. The delegates witnessed and received reports from the trustees, the election committee, nomination committee and housing committee. There were discussions on the credentials process and the successful completion of the emergency financial effort. Along the way every parliamentary move known to mankind was used. There were points of order, points of information, motions and substitute motions issued during often enthusiastic debate.

The assembly opened in its usual fashion with a struggle to activate the agenda. The problems in registration of delegates created the same questions about improving the system. Bishop Ross explained his latest moves to eliminate some of the pressure by taking bishops and supervisors out of the registration lines. Chairman Willis suggested that delegates registered in November should not have to register again for April Call Meeting. Of course those delegates without proof or who did not attend during November would be required to register. Bishop Ross explained the current method and reflected his desires to cooperate with the assembly. In other matters, the problem of filling the agenda was debated. As usual, various committees and individuals were not in place at the agenda's designated time. The chair expressed his frustrations with the perpetually slow start.



GENERAL ASSEMBLY DELEGATES CONFERRING AT THE MICROPHONE

After the reading of the minutes for the past assembly, things continued at a snail's pace. With time on his hands Chairman Willis discussed issues about assembly business and then preached a stirring message. Finally, it became apparent that nothing could be done during the first session beyond the perfunctory items. The chairman recessed the assembly. At that moment a most unusual thing happened. The chair entertained a motion to receive an offering for general assembly expenses. Having passed the motion, some knowledgeable delegates approached the chair and stated the procedural error the chairman made. A house in recess can not pass a motion. Having heard this Bishop Charles Blake proposed another motion to reconvene the house and collect the offering. Bishop W. L. Porter who earlier stood

and asked a point of order, finally got the chair's attention. Bishop Porter wanted to point out the procedural error and make other points. The chair asked him to wait, then the chair continued to collect one hundred dollar contributions. Bishop Porter asked to be recognized but the chair reflected, "Of course we are not worried about reopening the house or when we should recess, we just want the money!" He then ruled Bishop Porter out of order. This situation set both tone and tenor for the sessions to come. The offering was good and raised the assembly \$4,399.00.

At the next convening of delegates, the business of the assembly got into drive. Bishop Nathaniel Wells, chairman of the credentials committee addressed a significant issue. What is the committee's constitutional procedure for

handling individuals and fellowships which do not function within a jurisdiction. Chairman Willis reflected that every elder has an automatic privilege to be certified a delegate of the general assembly. Bishop C. D. Owens reflected the doctrine of the Church. Possibly in every case the policy is not functioning, however, he pointed out the general board has been consisted and deliberate in handling each case. "Bad policy is bad policy," a compassionate Owens stated. Certainly the jurisdictional bishop should take care of those election processes in the jurisdiction and not dump them upon the credentials committee. Bishop Wells reflected how much of the pressure his committee felt and asked for directions. It was pointed out by both bishops Owens and Willis that the answer is to be found in administration and polity. The constitution spells out the

rights and privileges of an elected delegate to the general assembly. There is no direction for none elected delegates. The general board spoke through the voice of Bishop Green and it was made clear what the intent and function of the general board has been concerning the complexed issue. The matter was tabled.

The presiding bishop, Bishop J. O. Patterson, Sr., was introduced by the chairman. Bishop Patterson stood to present the state of the Church address. He made some very sobering and frank remarks about the election process and the office of presiding bishop. The leader of our Church is a genuine and gifted man of insight. Speaking through eyes of experience, he asked the assembly to envision a day when the office of presiding bishop would be solely a spiritual position. He warned against the day when our Church's assembly could be reduced to politics, liken to the struggles of the democrats and republicans. He addressed the condition of the Church and reflected that God demands righteousness in every individual. For the bishop, his greatest hope is for the Lord to delight in him. Bishop's remarks were healing and good for the assembly to hear. In the spirit of humility our leader addressed the house and explained why he did not appear at the designated time of the agenda. Surely, he did not have to do that! He explained about an emergency

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QUADRENNIAL CANDIDATES NOMINATED

by
Bishop G. R. Ross

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Again, it is a blessing to have the opportunity, as the General Secretary of our great Church, to tender this informative and succinct report of the forth coming quadrennial elections. Delegates of the General Assembly were introduced to the field of candidates for the various offices. This November these candidates will be seeing the support of all delegates. It is indeed wonderful so many desire to serve the Church of God in Christ.

Of a truth, the delegates witnessed a very challenging experience in this 80th adjourned session. It was

evident the Office of Registration had done its homework having begun registration on Monday evening, April 11, and Tuesday morning prior to the opening of the General Assembly. The staff greeted the eager delegates from around the country and the world, then dispatched them to the assembly floor with all deliberate speed. The numbers were certainly impressive but the assembly opened at approximately 10:00 a.m., as scheduled.

Thanks to Bishop Moore, Elders John Williams and R. Blumenberg and the registration staff for a job well done.

Inasmuch as 1988 is election year and the year in which the general officers and trustees are elected for another quadrennial,

the following two committee reports are of extra special interest and significance. Also of great importance is the fact that Chairman Willis elected to run for the General Board, and deferred the responsibility upon Vice Chairman Sexton to deal with the remainder of the agenda of this session.

The Election Committee report, Elder Thomas Jackson, Chairman, was presented and sets forth the guidelines governing the upcoming election in November during the Holy Convocation.

The Nominating Committee, Bishop W. Rimson, Chairman, made its report and submitted the list of candidates for the General Board, General Secretary, Financial Secretary, Treasurer, and Trustee Board.

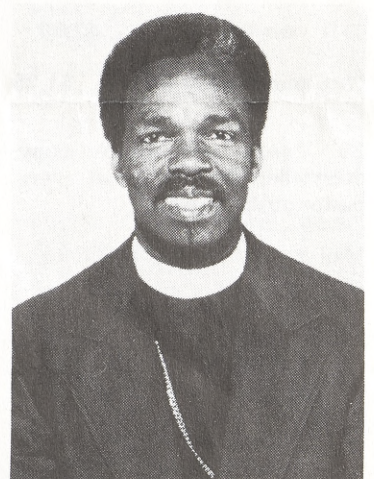
There were other candidates nominated from the floor in all categories.

Candidates nominated and approved by this General Assembly session are listed below:

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Bishop LeRoy Anderson
Bishop P. A. Brooks
Bishop Jacob Cohen
Bishop S. L. Green
Bishop J. Neaul Haynes
Bishop J. D. Husband
Bishop O. T. Jones, Jr.
Bishop C. D. Owens

New Nominations:



BISHOP G. R. ROSS

Bishop L. T. Blackshear
Bishop C. E. Blake
Bishop R. L. Chapman
Bishop N. H. Henderson
Bishop C. D. Kinsey
Bishop George McKinney
Bishop W. L. Porter
Bishop T. L. Westbrook
Bishop L. E. Willis
Bishop Roy L. H. Winbush

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GUEST EDITORIAL

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
IN
LEXINGTON

By Dr. David Hall

SEPTEMBER 5-9, 1988

It is with great joy that I submit this editorial. It comes as both an announcement and sign of my support for a project very close to the heart of the presiding bishop.

The presiding bishop is not the type person to leave anything undone. It seemed like yesterday when the saints gathered in Lexington, Mississippi for the first Help Week. By planes, cars and buses they came from around the country. Together those saints did major repairs on Saints Academy, a Church landmark and very valuable property. Recently, Bishop Patterson informed the Whole Truth it is time to complete the renovation, as much as possible and get the property back into operation.

September is the target month, that bishop hopes many of the first volunteers and many new ones will heed his call and return to Lexington. All concerned saints having building or related skills are asked to come and volunteer for the second Help Week. This is an invitation to work, also to fellowship and enjoy the worship of the Lord. There will be other activities planned during that time and the Whole Truth will publicize them all.

During the second Help Week, the church will celebrate the birth of Bishop C. H. Mason. There will be a special observance of his life and the volunteers should enjoy that. Furthermore, in this election year it is good for the saints to come together for something other than political events. While there, volunteers can put a little more sweat equity into their heavenly bank accounts and enjoy his fellow saint. Anyway, for the presiding bishop, the allure of renovating the landmark established by the fathers and mothers of the Church is equally significant to the election, etc.

Help Week arrangements will be the same as last time. Transportation for Memphis to Lexington will be provided. Anyone coming in to Jackson, Mississippi can receive transportation to Lexington also. All room and board will be taken care of by the Church. Therefore, to get an adequate count of volunteers, the bishop request interested persons to call the presiding bishop's office at 901-578-3838 or 39.

Who is needed? Come ye all, carpenters, cement finishers, electricians, painters, and plumbers. Bishop is hopeful that the first volunteers will return to Lexington. It will be a reunion of sort. It is time to work harder than ever for God, Church and the coming generations. See you at Help Week II.

Were you apart of the first Help Week? Look for your name.

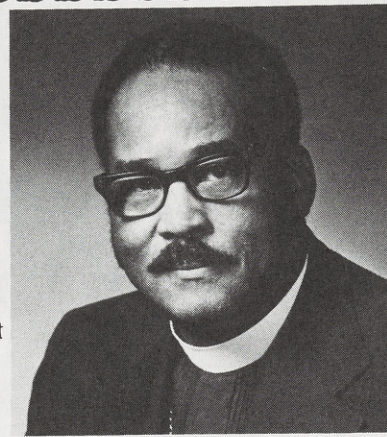
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March 31-April 5, 1986

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So. Ms. 2nd

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Bishop J. O. Patterson
Presiding Bishop
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Dear Saints:

Greetings in the precious name of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

My deep gratitude and ever abiding love is extended to you as I call to mind the tremendous respect and support you have given to our Lord's Church and also to this administration. Please be assured that we are always mindful of the confidence you have placed in us and will continue to strive diligently to accomplish all that has been assigned to our hands.

The Lord has been sufficient in every aspect of His promise to bless the righteous. We are indeed His people, who He loved generously and faithfully. Therefore, I encourage you to "...serve Him with a perfect heart and a willing mind..." In diligent service to the Lord, you will find that His reward is not only just and uncomparable to any other, but you will also know the peace and joy that comes through serving Him.

As you continue to live for the Lord, my prayer is that He will richly and abundantly bless you.

Yours in His service,

J. O. Patterson

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ATTENTION: MEMBERS OF THE COGIC FAMILY

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ from the Office of the National Souvenir Journal.

As you are already aware, a "Souvenir Journal" of the Church of God in Christ, International is published as a supplement to the Annual National Holy Convocation which convenes in Memphis, Tennessee. Each year you have been contributing articles describing advancements made in your local, district and state settings.

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SPELL YE !

GUIDELINES FOR THE UNAC-5 NATIONAL SPELLING BEE

1. The preliminary activities for the Unac-5 National Spelling Competition will be held on two levels.

- a. Level 1-for students in grades 4-8
- b. Level 2-for students in grades 9-12

Check the Unac-5 program booklet for designate time and place for each level's preliminary activity held Tuesday, July 5; Wednesday, July 6, Thursday, July 7 at the Unac-5 Convention during the training sessions.

2. The final Spelling Competition to determine the first, second and third place winners for Level 1 and Level 2 will be held on Friday, July 8. In order to participate in the final Spelling Competition the student must participate in each day's preliminary activities.

3. Any student in grades 4-8 may enter the preliminary spelling competition activities designed for Level Two, students for both

levels are asked to pre-register using the entry form below.

4. Words used in the Unac-5 National Spelling Competition shall be selected from list shown at the appropriate level.

5. The word pronouncer shall select the definition or definitions that he or she gives.

6. In competition, after the pronouncer gives the contestant a word the contestant may also pronounce the word before spelling it, after spelling it or, if he or she so chooses, not at all.

7. The contestant may ask the pronouncer to repronounce the word, define it, or use it in a sentence. The contestant may ask for the language origin of a word. No other information about the etymology or history of a word will be given. If the contestant has a specific root word in mind, the contestant may ask if the dictionary lists that word as the root of the word to be spelled.

8. Having started to spell a word, a contestant may stop and start



BISHOP H.E. QUILLEN, JR.

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Thank you once again for continuing to express the spirit of cooperation and may the Lord bless and keep you as you share in the completion of THE 1988 NATIONAL SOUVENIR JOURNAL.

Bishop Howard E. Quillen, Jr. Editor-in-Chief

over, retracting the spelling from the beginning, but in the retracting there can be no change of letters and their sequence from those first pronounced. If letters and their sequences are changed in respelling, the speller will be eliminated.

9. Upon missing the spelling of a word, the contestant immediately drops out of the contest. The next word on the pronouncer's list is given to the next contestant.

10. When the contestants are reduced to two the elimination procedure changes. At that point, when one contestant misspells a word, the other contestant spells that word correctly, plus the next word on the pronouncer's list. Then the second contestant shall be declared the champion.

11. If one of the last two spellers misses, and the other, after correcting the error misspells the new word submitted to him or her, then the misspelled new word shall be referred to the first speller. If the first speller then succeeds in correcting the error and correctly spells the next word on the pronouncer's list, then he or she shall be declared champion.

12. If both spellers misspell the same word, both shall continue in the contest, and the one who first misspelled the word shall be given a new word to spell. The contest shall then continue under Rule 9 and 10.

13. If more than one spelling is listed in the dictionary for a word, any of these spellings will be accepted as correct if the word appears in bold face type and if either matches the pronunciation and definition provided by the pronouncer, or if it is clearly identified as being a variant of the word that the contestant has been asked to spell.

14. Any contestant having once won a Unac-5 National Spelling

Bee Championship is ineligible for future competition in the National Spelling Bee.

GRADES 9-12TH LEVEL II

PRACTICE SPELLING WORDS

(GRADES 4-8TH) LEVEL I

- strength
- united
- amendment
- bracelet
- diameter
- fluids
- jury
- physical
- merry
- ought
- practice
- rough
- southern
- system
- uncertain
- weight
- assistant
- breath
- chapter
- continue
- difficult
- excellent
- figure
- hire
- liquid
- paragraph
- replied
- submit
- unusual
- announce
- celebration
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- engineer
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- lemonade
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- poultice
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- predestine
- preferential
- preposterous
- prescience
- pression
- prevenience
- primero
- priory
- procathedral
- prodigy
- prolific
- propaganda
- prorate
- protivity
- protractor
- psalmist
- psyche
- ptosis
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- weltarweight
- whammy
- wheeze
- whisk
- witherward
- whump
- wiliness
- willow
- winddog
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- wintriness
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- sonable
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BLACK NATIONAL RELIGIOUS BROADCASTERS SHOWCASE CONCERT



BISHOP S. L. GREEN, JR

The Black National Religious Broadcasters Showcase Concert was held at the Sheraton Washington Hotel in Washington, D. C. on Sunday, January 31, 1988. The Chairman for this outstanding gospel concert was the Honorable Bishop Samuel L. Green, Jr. Prelate of the 2nd Jurisdiction, Virginia. The program was an extension of the National Religious Broadcasters Convention and Exposition.

Rev. Clay Evans, Pastor of Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church in Chicago, Illinois, serves as Chairman of this prestigious organization, the BNRB, and Bishop Samuel L. Green, Jr., serves as Vice Chairman.

What a spiritual extravaganza! By this time the spiritual climate had long superceded the superb climate of the Nation's Capital and the excitement had reached enormous proportion and was rising.

The participants on the program included: Walter E. Arties, Breath of Life Telecast, Newbury Park, California;

Natalie A. Green, Faith For Living Ministries, Newport News, Virginia; Thomasina Chandler, Draw Gospel Productions, Bloomington, Indiana; Annie L. Hightower, Faith For Living Ministries, Newport News, Virginia; Alton Morris, Morris Musical Ministries, Takoma Park, Maryland; Rev. Samuel L. Green, III, Faith For Living Ministries, Newport News, Virginia; Special Guest, Grammy Award Nominee and Recording Artist, Debbie McClendon, Pasadena, California; The Faith for Living Television Mass Choir, Bishop Samuel L. Green, Jr., Founder, Newport News, Virginia; The Jubilee Majestic Concert Choir, Mr. Kirdell S. Minor, Director, Washington, D. C.; Bethel Church of God in Christ, Elder Sherman Howard, Pastor, Washington, D. C.; Bible Way Temple Radio Choir, Bishop Smallwood Williams, Pastor Washington, D. C.; Greater Mt. Calvary Holy Church Mass Choir, Joann Johnson, Director, Overseer Alfred A. Owens, Pastor, Washington, D. C.; Holy Temple Church of Christ, Bishop Joseph Weathers, Pastor, Washington, D. C.; New Community Church of God in Christ Mass Choir, Christopher Thomas, Director, Bishop Ted Thomas, Pastor, Portsmouth, Virginia; Refreshing Springs Gospel Choir, Lucky Felder, Director, Elder Archie Headens, Pastor, Riverdale, Maryland; Washington State Choir Church of God in Christ, Winona Jones, Director, Bishop Samuel Kelsey Jurisdictional Bishop; and Way of the Cross Church of Christ, Bishop A. D. Brooks, Pastor, Washington, D. C.

Bishop Green also hosted a live

radio talk show from the Sheraton's Mezzanine level on WYCB AM 1340, during the 1988, National Religious Broadcasters, in Washington, D. C.

Bishop Green was on the air daily at 5:00 p. m. Among the scheduled guests were Clay Evans, president of the Black National Religious Broadcasters; Ben Armstrong, National Religious Broadcasters Executive Director; and Grammy Award Nominee, Debbie McClendon.

1988 seems to beckon all of us to be our best self. The Showcase Concert raptured the audience with Christian musical splendor. Music, as you perhaps already know, brings out the best in us-intellectually and emotionally. Many weary souls have been saved from lives of defeat and ruin because of music. David deterred Saul from mental anguish by playing skillfully upon his harp. We will never know the number of people whose lives have been spared nervous breakdowns and mental imprisonment for life because of music. This concert will be long remembered by thousands of people.

The upcoming 1989 Black National Religious Broadcasters Showcase Concert and National Religious Broadcasters Convention will be scheduled early February in Washington, D. C. The BNRB is representative of Radio and Television Broadcasters across the nation. For further membership information on the Black National Religious Broadcasters, you may call (804) 473-1194.

This year's celebration was very special, because, on the past year Bishop Henderson had been quite ill. But through prayer and fasting, God worked a miracle and restored Bishop Henderson back to his health, and he is preaching and telling it like it is now more than ever. Praise God!

Through the efforts of the birthday committee, the heart of our Bishop was made glad, and, the over 275 people in attendance at the beautiful empire Room of the March Plaza Hotel in downtown Milwaukee, were happy and grateful to God for the opportunity to enjoy another birthday with our great leader, the Bishop P. J. Henderson.

Leaders from the political as well as the religious community came to honor our great leader. Bishop Dennis Flakes, Prelate Southeast Jurisdiction WI and Bishop J. C. Williams, Prelate 3rd Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction WI were in attendance with other guests from their Jurisdictions.

A Proclamation from the mayor's office was read, proclaiming January 30th as Bishop Peter James Henderson Day. A plaque from the State Legislature was presented by State Representative Marcia Coggs, who is the granddaughter of the late D. J. Young, a pioneer of the COGIC.

After dining from the natural table, we were now ready to feast from the spiritual table. We were honored to have Bishop L. H. Ford, 1st Administrative Assistant to the Presiding Bishop, Jurisdictional Prelate Central Illinois, and Pastor of St. Paul COGIC, Chicago, Illinois.

Bishop Ford, who has known

Bishop Henderson for many years shared how they had come up together on the rough side of the mountain, but now God has placed them on top of the mountain.

This set the tone for Bishop Ford's message "The Man With A Mountain On His Mind-Give Me This Mountain" Joshua 14:12. He spared no pain to bring to us great words of inspiration. As Bishop Ford spoke under the anointing of the Holy Ghost our supper room was becoming an upper room as our hearts were inspired to do greater things for God.

As the evening came to a close, we left feeling grateful to be a part of another birthday celebration for Bishop Henderson whom God has greatly blessed. Our prayer is that God will bless him with many more healthy and happy birthdays.

We, the members of Northwest Jurisdiction of Wisconsin, say thank you to the birthday committee headed by the Administrative Assistant and District Supt. Eld. A. Allen and the State Expediter and District Supt. Elder J. R. Deshazer and all the District Supts. and Departmental leaders and the State Supervisor, Mo. A. LaValley and the District Missionaries.

Again, we say thank you for a job well done. Thanks again to Bishop L. H. Ford for the inspiring and encouraging mountain message that we will always remember.

Submitted by
Sis. P. McClelland

(Special thanks to Mother H. Henderson)

INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT MISSIONARIES' UNIT



MRS. ROSELLA BURKS, PRESIDENT.

In Detroit, Michigan, 1982, Mrs. Burks was appointed by Dr. Mattie McGlothen to be the International leader for the District Missionary Unit. A few months later it was learned that there are nearly three thousand District Missionaries in the Church of God in Christ. In the Women's International Convention Workshop there were about four hundred District Missionaries in the District Missionary's class. The President, Mrs. Rosella Burks, along with fourteen other teachers taught the class. In the 1987, Women's Convention in

Kansas City, Mrs. Burks was presented the plaque for the District Missionary Unit. Also this year in the 1988, Women's Convention Workshop which will be held in Miami, Florida, Mrs. Burks will receive the plaque again for the District Missionary Unit. It will be presented by Mother St. Carrie Dinwiddie, Chairperson of the Women's Convention Workshop. Mrs. Burks has been a teacher in the Women's Convention Workshop for seventeen years; a Red-Card Delegate for sixteen years, a

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GREATNESS THROUGH SERVICE



LEFT TO RIGHT: BISHOP J. C. WILLIAMS — THIRD ECCLESIASTICAL JURISDICTION WI, BISHOP P. J. HENDERSON — NORTHWEST WI JURISDICTION (HONOREE), BISHOP L. H. FORD — 1ST ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDING BISHOP & PRELATE CENTRAL ILLINOIS, BISHOP DENNIS FLAKES — SOUTHEAST WI JURISDICTION.

"The Steps Of A Good Man Ordered By The Lord" was the theme for this year's birthday celebration honoring Bishop Peter James Henderson.

Bishop Henderson, who was 84 years old on January 28th, is one of the pioneers of the Church of God in Christ. Saved at the age of eight years old, he has served in the church over 76 years. He

was State YPWW President 29 years in Mississippi, has pastored for 57 years, and is now serving as Jurisdictional Bishop in Northwest Wisconsin and has served for the past 29 years.

WHAT KIND OF INTERCESSOR ARE YOU?

For a year of my life I battled a crippling, paralyzing depression. Today, I can't recall how or when it gained a foothold, but the fact that it did is very sure. There were many days when this invisible thing would grip me in its vise-like jaws swiftly and without warning. Then, like an on-coming train it would overwhelm me and reduce me to anguish filled tears.

The nights were no better. Often I would cry myself to sleep with a single name on my lips and a single thought in my heart...Jesus, help! Though this frightful thing left me feeling alone and without consolation, my spirit screamed to be free of this unnamed robber.

I could not articulate a prayer, because I could not articulate the need. As I sought to define and identify this thing, I began to reach out to the saints who were stronger and more experienced than I. One, who was like a father to me, informed me that "saints had no business being depressed." Another precious mother advised me that what I needed was a husband. Yet another wondered if maybe I wasn't carrying someone else's burden. These dear saints meant no ill-will.

They could see the physical symptoms very plainly: my withdrawal, a lifelessness where a smile had always been, and of course the tears. Unfortunately, either they were inexperienced intercessors, or they were unable to perceive the spiritual depth of the battle which raged inside of me.

I can recall very distinctly the night that the Lord awakened me at exactly 4:16 in the morning. Bothered by the intrusion, I explained to the Lord that I was in trouble myself and could not pray for anyone else.

A TRIBUTE TO OUR PASTOR

Elder S. C. Allen

Holy Greetings in the name of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

We here at St. Paul would like to pin flowers on our most honored pastor, Elder Allen for all the hard work he has done and is yet doing.

We know that he is a man of God, because of the work that God does through him. I am a witness because of his teaching, preaching, fasting and praying. I am saved today, and I thank God for this great man. He gives you the Word just as God would. Through him many souls have been saved and healed, many have received great blessings through him. He is always ready to give you the Word of God. It is the Word of God that we live by at St. Paul. We love and honour our pastor.

No matter how good or bad the

I can still hear His answer. It was deeply sad but very compelling. When He said "Little one...pray for yourself," I felt the evil thing begin to struggle. Slowly, it relinquished its long-held abode. How wonderful that in teaching me to intercede for others, God first chose to teach me how to intercede for myself.

Since that night of deliverance, God has used me to minister to many saints yoked under bondages of depression and grief. They all tell the same story about how no one understood, and how very alone they felt. I thank God for the experience, Who knows but that God suffered these circumstances to come into my life that I might minister to others more effectively.

Paul warns us in his letter to the Ephesian church (Eph. 6:12) that our warfare is not a war of flesh or even emotions. Do we believe him? Do we understand fully, the nature of the fight? Do we understand that as intercessors our battle may be a deeply spiritual one? Prayer is where spiritual battles are fought and won.

Finally, as Paul reminds us, "the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty thru God to the pulling down of strongholds (II Cor. 10:4)." What kind of intercessor are you? As a joint heir with Christ, you have been given the power to pull down every strong-hold of Satan as you intercede for the needs of others.

Evangelist Elaine Rose Penn

(Iowa Jurisdiction Bishop Hurley Bassett, State Bishop)

problem is he always find the answer. In all his ways he looks to God. He teaches us to always put God first. He always has time for the little ones and they all love him. He teaches us how to be as little children so that the Lord can use us. Many burdens he has carried for us. Many pains has he shared with us. He has endured many sleepless nights, and always ready to forgive. He is truly a carrier of the cross like Jesus. We thank God for our leader. We thank God for all His blessings. So we take this time to say we love you, Elder Allen. And we pray all God's blessings upon you.

Sister Joyce Woods
Toledo, Ohio



**SUPERINTENDENT & MRS. JAMES F. MOFFETT
SOUTH MISSISSIPPI**

Give us a watchman for the hour. A thrilling word, a word of Power.

Oh weary souls, direct your thoughts of reflections towards the Gulfcoast District in the 2nd Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of South Mississippi of the Church of God, (who spoke the universe into existence) in Christ, the only propitiation of our sins.

The district includes approximately fifteen (local) churches. The watchman (district superintendent) is Superintendent James F. Moffett.

First visit with me to one of the local assemblies. Discover the area in Moss Point, Mississippi where trees jealously cradle their private road, where their breeze bid you welcome to a richness found at the end. Now, come walk through the doors of the Restoration and Revival Church of God in Christ.

Now feast with me, if you will. Cause thine ears to receive a Battle Cry, a flaming breath of doctrine originated from old-time burning penetrating Holiness!

Many souls have been saved by laying on of hands and slayed under the power and conviction of the Holy Ghost!

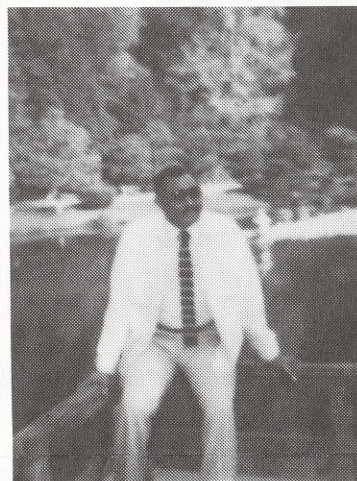
Superintendent Moffett teaches faith. He believes you can "cluck and scratch with the chickens or soar with the eagles."

As the approximately two-hundred membership continues to increase, Superintendent Moffett and members focus on a larger edifice to house the growing congregation.

The Restoration and Revival Church of God in Christ has a sister church in Waynesboro, Mississippi, the Limestone Church of God in Christ. Here Superintendent Moffett, pastors also, extending services at least one Sunday monthly.

Assuming responsibility as a leader is a natural for this soldier. As a teen, he began servicing in the United States Army. Dedicating himself, he continued and excelled to Master Sergeant. While stationed at an Army base in Los Angeles, California, in 1974, after twenty-one years in service, Master Sergeant James F. Moffett decided he must re-enlist and re-dedicate himself to Uncle Sam.

WILL THE REAL BIG BROTHER SUNSHINE PLEASE STAND UP!



BROTHER T R. HALL, JR



"BROTHER TED"

In the last issue of *The Whole Truth* there was reported an interesting phenomena. Notably, it was the installation of a "Big Brother Sunshine" at one of our Sister Churches located in Waco, Texas.

This news was received with an especially joyous enthusiasm at the Unity Church of God in Christ; in Seattle, Washington because we, too, have a "Big Brother Sunshine."

Brother Theodore R. Hall, Jr., affectionately called "Brother Ted" by children and parents alike, has brought new dimension to the education, instruction, and recreation of our young people as they strive to learn the many ways God calls children into His limitless service.

A man can do this work was the vision of Founder/Pastor James Hicks, a progressive forerunner well known for his innovative leadership, when he advanced Brother Ted to Sunshine Band President last year.

Particularly impressed with the motivation "Brother Ted" was able to generate among the children through his skillfully effective teaching methods, Elder Hicks totally restructured the Sunshine Band department in order to facilitate maximum creativity and participation for the children and adult members here at Unity Church of God in Christ.

Some major accomplishments corroborated through this newly formed, spiritual partnership include Camp Unity - a family oriented camping project which consisted of approximately fifty (50) participating children with parents supervising various outdoor activities, providing meals, and monitoring to sleep-over nights. The camp used no

government monies of any kind but, instead, utilized local businesses within the community coupled with avid support from the church as it's funding sources.

Another successful project was the recent "Pure Sunshine Spring Carnival" where "Brother Ted" solicited the use of a local Youth Service facility to set up a real-live carnival where all the posters, booths, fliers, and operation of each event was done by the Sunshine Banders themselves. It was truly a fun-filled event for all of us.

There is so much that could be described...the hand made wooden puppets for their Christmas play which the children promptly informed us were properly called "Marionettes" and the newly developed project called "Teen Boys" designed to build self-esteem and to elevate grade point averages. Brother Ted is well qualified for this, first because he is saved and filled with the Holy Ghost. Added to this are an Associated Arts Degree in Recreation, a Bachelor of Arts Degree in English and several certificates including Special Services for Special Population certifying his work as specialist in the rehabilitation of handicapped individuals.

Like Waco members, we too, are proud of our "Big Brother Sunshine." We are both encouraged and inspired by the dedication exhibited through the beautifully written article that appeared in our national periodical, *The Whole Truth*.

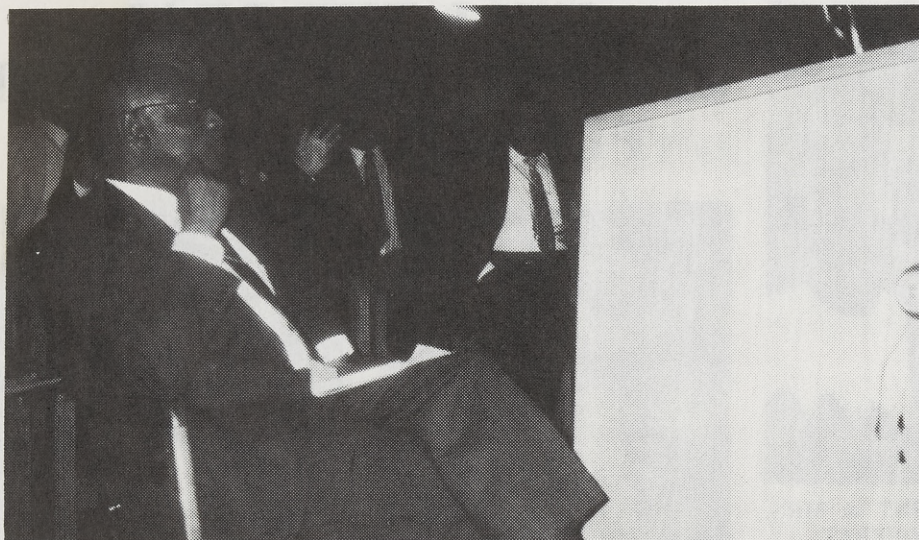
Thank you and God bless you all!

But it was about this time when God re-directed his paths, and his feet were refrained. This soldier decided to change his attire, from Uncle Sam's Army green to the whole armor of God. And having his loins girt about with truth, he chose Jesus. (His leader was Elder A. M. Poe of Los Angeles, California where his wife Missionary Gloria Moffett, already saved and filled with the Holy Ghost, was a member).

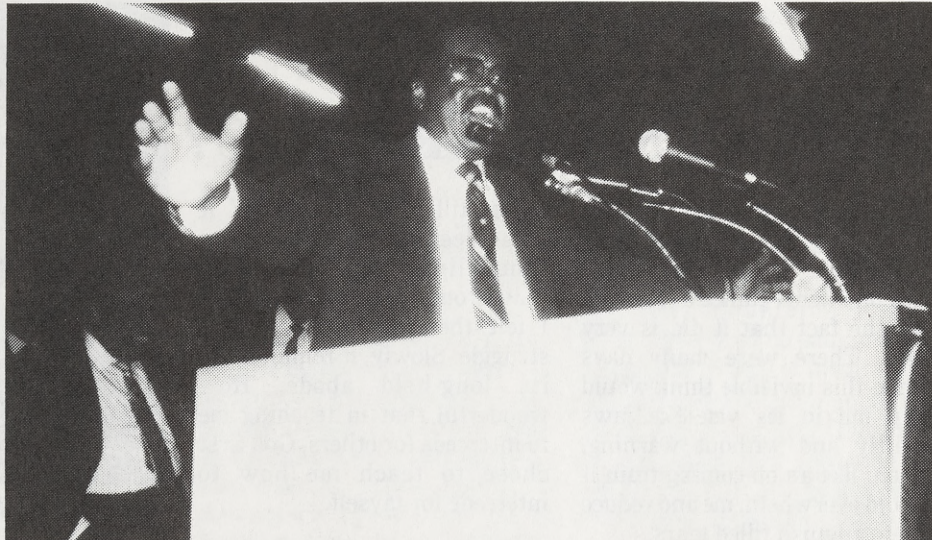
About six months later, he was called to the Ministry and has since continued to excell in the ways of God.

Superintendent Moffett is also called to Christian Outreach: Churches of his Evangelistic Outreach, include: Churches of God in Christ in Hattiesburg, Brandon, Columbia, and Picayune, Mississippi, Mobile, Alabama, and others. He further serves as area counselor.

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CHAIRMAN WILLIS LISTENS INTENTLY TO THE PREACHING OF THE PRESIDING BISHOP.



PRESIDING BISHOP, J. O. PATTERSON, SR. PROCLAIMS THE GOSPEL AND AFFIRMS HIS DESIRE TO HAVE THE LORD DELIGHT IN HIM.



GENERAL ASSEMBLY DELEGATES READ ONE OF THE REPORTS HANDED OUT FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION.



A FEW OF THE MANY CANDIDATES FOR GENERAL OFFICE POSE FOR A GROUP PHOTO. THEY WERE WAITING TO SEE THE NOMINATION COMMITTEE.



REGISTRATION WORKERS FINALLY GOT A BREAK.



SOME NON CREDENTIALLED DELEGATES SAT IN THE BALCONY BUT YET ENJOYED THE ASSEMBLY ACTIVITIES.

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Eld. William Pratt
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Eld. Edward Rice
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Supt. Robert Williams, Jr.
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No. Ms.
Sis. Willie M. Forrest
No. Ms.
Sis. Mary Landfair
No. Ms.

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Child sponsor for twelve years. At one time she was a distributor for the Whole Truth Paper.

District Missionary Burks has edited and compiled a number of books for the International District Missionary Unit, such

as the Lesson Topic Book, the District Missionary Handbook, the Dinner Pictorial Book, and many study books, and has put together fifteen Committees in the Unit. All of these are designed to help each District Missionary to be more inspired to work with their leaders in the local churches, states, and national work, thereby helping our International Mother, Dr. Mattie McGlothen, with the women's work in the Church of God in Christ.

The President, Mrs. Burks, is praying, working and doing all that she can that the International District Missionary Unit will have more fellowship and unity in working closer than ever with their State Supervisors and Bishops everywhere in the Church of God in Christ. "Where there is unity, there is strength." The International District Missionary Unit has worked in the interest of the McGlothen House ever since the project began, and has played a great

part in helping the work to go on. For seven years Mrs. Rosella Burks has been a teacher of the Lay Missionaries class in the Religious Education and Training Institute of the Church of God in Christ. (Dr. Oliver Haney, President.)

District Missionary Burks is a long time hard and dedicated worker in her State, working closely with her State Supervisor. For eighteen years she has been State Chairperson of the Women's Workshop and compiles all the Workshop materials. She is State Chairperson of District Missionaries, a member of State finance committee and a District Missionary for fifteen years. Mother Theresa Bolden is State Supervisor, Bishop R. J. Ward is Prelate of Eastern Missouri, Jurisdiction No. 1.

Mrs. Burks is a long time business woman, a licensed Funeral Director, and has had an inspiring broadcast for many years. She asks your prayers in this much needed work.

A HOLY GHOST SHAKE — UP

JANUARY 28, 1988

Greetings to the saints of God all over the United States. The Lake Como Church of God in Christ located 5212 Goodman Street, Ft. Worth, Texas 76104. Pastor Bishop D. L. Smith. We the members are yet thanking God and our Pastor Bishop Smith for his vision of an annual new years revival. Also we are praising God for leading Bishop Smith to call on Elder Cleophas Hall better known as (Mr. Bible), of Indianapolis, Indiana. To conduct this years revival. The revival theme was "JESUS IS THE ONLY THING GOOD FOR EVERYTHING." The revival was held January 10-16 88, two sessions a day.

The members have renewed their faith in realizing the victory in following Jesus, obeying leadership and witnessing. Evangelist Hall preached under the anointing of God every night from the beginning to the ending. Sunday night January 10, the text was "YOU HAVE BLOOD ON YOUR HANDS IF YOU DO NOT PRODUCE FRUIT"

Monday, his text was, "Restore Your Faith In God By Winning Souls For Christ" Tuesday through Saturday sessions were all Holy Ghost explosions. Seventeen seekers was on the altar by 7:30 p.m. Thursday night and all seventeen was saved, two received the Holy Ghost. Thursday night was the Holy Ghost night. The saints were super charged with the Holy Ghost. It seemed as though the heavens opened up and sent down showers of Holy Ghost

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ASSEMBLY

which prevented his prompt attendance. He further committed himself to cooperating with the assembly and offered to help create a more appropriate agenda.

After the presiding bishop finished, Bishop J. O. Patterson, Jr., delivered a brief report on the current litigation facing the Church. Due to the unfinished nature of those activities, he promised to return and make a full report after due process of law.

The assembly then received the names of the current college of unconsecrated bishops. To be consecrated during the November meeting will be Bishops Nance, Lawson, Hoskins and G. E. Patterson.

The assembly heard from the commissioner of finance, Bishop C. D. Owens. He thoroughly explained the issues and events surrounding the emergency and very voluntary financial report effort. The reports and all that followed was agreed upon by unanimous vote during the bishop's conference. The issues of language used to describe the effort was handled by the bishop also. Just like the Church of God in Christ, the saints responded



BISHOP D. L. SMITH

power, It slained one seeker after another. Our hearts did burn within while the power of the Lord filled the room. Friday night, the Holy Ghost super charge continued. Seven (7) backsliders were reclaimed and 5 yet seeking for the Holy Ghost. Saturday Evangelist Hall took his text from 1st Peter 5:25 and Prov. 15:1. Theme: "The church." Fifteen seekers were on the altar at 7:30 p.m. All fifteen came to the Lord, one received the Holy Ghost.

Our Pastor and leader Bishop Smith is very much encouraged to keep working for the Lord. We love him and his leadership at Lake Como Church of God in Christ. We are yet feeling the Holy Ghost super charge from our new years revival and ALL are encouraged to continue witnessing for Jesus.

Yours In Christ,
Submitted By: Lake Como
COGIC Family
Ft. Worth, Texas 76107
E. Wright, Reporter

and effectively wiped out all past indebtedness.

Next on the agenda came the housing committee report. Bishop Porter did not present the report then, as the committee members and bishop were at an impasse. Poor communications created a problem of whether or not the committee was yet in operation. Last assembly Bishop Porter and the others jointly reported on the status of housing. It seems a misunderstanding about the duration of that combined committee's life was at issue. Bishop Willis put his convention search committee together with Bishop Porter's functioning committee. The situation is yet in the air. Later in the meeting, Bishop Porter presented a housing report. Current evidence suggest that headway is being made. Accommodations are up and prices are down.

The aspect of finance was involved in everything. The expenses of the general assembly and the general board itself were discussed. The general board demonstrated its commitment to cutting the fat and Bishop L. H. Ford expressed the board's effort at leading the way. The house agreed that proper documentation and activities in line with Church duties should get budgeted. All parties called for unnecessary

and abusive remuneration be stopped.

When the trustees made their report the house became bogged down with questions. The chairman selected an item by item approach to questioning of the report. The chairman of the trustees, Bishop Jones received all questions asked. The presentation was too long because the questions broke flow of the report. Still the exercise was a value. There was some satisfaction and concrete steps were promised, basically to create an accounting report that each delegate can hopefully review and understand.

The election committee and the nominations committee reported to the assembly. They carried out their appointed tasks. There is a deadline coming in July that various persons are attempting to meet. The paper will present a complete listing at that time.

Lastly, the nomination process brought about a strange chain of events. The chairman stepped down due to his candidacy for higher office. What followed the appointing of a replacement was an all time low in parliamentary procedures. At issue was the suggested method of the second general board election, when the presiding bishop is elected. The debate was over the use of voting machines for the second election. The debate caused the house to break down under the cries of point of order, submotions and confusing attempts to vote. The issue was finally compromised. The method of the second election will be decided upon after the first election by the house.

Such was the general assembly. Now the stage is set for what promises to be a critical vote in the life of the Church.

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TRIBUTE

Working faithfully by his side, is his wife, Missionary Gloria Moffett. This Evangelistic Missionary, partnership team-for-Jesus, spares nothing from their dedication of services. As they scan miles of the Gulf coast trails.

Superintendent Moffett has participated in the building of three churches: House of Prayer in Wilmington, Alabama, Three Rivers Church of God in Christ (where his father-in-law, Elder Frank Freeman is pastor), and Lucedale Church of God in Christ.

The call is given and this leader has the word, "Evangelize," he reflects. As he tours the towns on the Mississippi Gulf Coast, he casts wistful eyes over the neighborhood saying "there's no church in this town." Perhaps he means, no church teaching the fullness of the Gospel of Salvation, or no church at all. Whichever view, his searching insight enfolds wandering sheep without a shepherd. His prophetic eyes discerns neighborhoods seemingly idle, destitute of the Knowledge of God's Word.

Missionary Annie Ruth Reeves
Reporter

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The James Oglethorpe Patterson Fine Arts Appreciation Scholarship Activities will be held in Memphis, Tennessee during our November Convocation. Preliminary activities (competition) will be held Friday, November 11, 1988, at 10:00 a.m., in the chapel of Pentecostal Temple Institutional Church of God in Christ, Linden Avenue at Danny Thomas Blvd., Bishop J. O. Patterson, Sr., pastor. Finalists will be selected by judges, and the finalists will perform and be awarded scholarships at the Presiding Bishop's Benefit Dinner which will be held at the Memphis Convention Center, Concourse Hall, Saturday, November 12, 1988, at 4:00 P.M.

If you are eligible to participate in the Fine Arts Activities, please inform your Youth Minister, Pastor and Jurisdictional Bishop so that they may provide financial assistance for your trip.

GENERAL PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES:

1. To cultivate broader acceptance and deeper appreciation for Fine Arts talent in our church.
2. To stimulate and enhance interest in careers and advanced studies in the area of Fine Arts.
3. To motivate and encourage greater self-expression among our youth who possess such talents.
4. To emphasize the applicability of Fine Arts to effective ministries in our church.
5. To offer financial assistance to promising persons who are seeking to further develop their skills in Fine Arts and who correlate these skills with spiritual growth and development.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

Any member of the Church of God in Christ is eligible who is between the ages of sixteen and twenty-six (16-26). The applicant must exhibit skill in Fine Arts and must be contemplating of currently pursuing a career at a school or university of higher learning in the area of Fine Arts in performing music-vocal or instrumental, drama-speech, dramatic or oral interpretation; visual painting, sculpture, crafts, etc. Each participant must:

1. Bring a transcript from the previous or current semester's high school, college or university.
2. Visual artists should exhibit three or four original art works.
3. Performing artists should prepare two different selections representing musical or dramatic presentation.
4. Each participant will have a brief interview with one of the judges.

Please complete Application and Mail To:

Sara Jordan Powell
Director of Talent and Fine Arts
9203 McAvoy Drive
Houston, Texas 77074

Scholarship Candidate Profile Application

Name _____

Address _____ Phone _____

Birthday _____

City _____ State _____

Zip _____

Name of Parent or Guardian _____

Church Currently Attending _____

Pastor _____ Bishop _____

School, College or University _____

Classification _____

Applicant's Major or Minor _____

Applicant's Performance will be: _____

Please check one:

Music () Drama () Visual Art ()

INTERNATIONAL EVANGELIST CRUSADE REVIVAL HELD IN NORTH LITTLE ROCK

March 23, 24, and 25 were three of the most power packed days this writer has experienced in a long time. These are the dates when the Evangelist Revival Crusade was held in North Little Rock, Arkansas, with Bishop D. L. Lindsey and the Second Jurisdiction of Arkansas.

Day One, Wednesday, the 23, opened with the FAITH CLINIC in session. Evangelist W. G. Christie was at his best, with the theme "YE ARE OF GOD." We are God's storehouse, the receptacle of His Spirit. Greater is He who is in us, than he who is in the world. Since the Greater One is in us, we don't even worry about he who is in the world. How rich were the words from God's Word to the saints.

At 12:00 noon, Evangelist Parolee Richardson of Fresno, California gave an inspiring message from Isaiah 63:1 "Who Is This?" After she expounded the Word, no one left in doubt of who He Was, Is, or Will Be to each of us.

Wednesday night was one of praising and rejoicing in the God of our salvation. An official greeting and welcome was given the evangelists and well wishers who had come from far and near to be a part of this God given revival. Bishop Lindsey did this welcome as no other person could have done. It was full of love and gratitude for this group of saints who had come to share experiences and fellowship.

The Ministry of the Child Evangelism Teacher (Evangelist Veronesa Thornton) was in action on this night. Spiritual heart surgery was done and the Spirit of the Lord was in the place. The State Choir was anointed to sing "Give Him the Glory" and we did just that. After an outpouring of the Spirit, twelve came forth to be saved and were saved.

Thursday during the Faith Clinic, two were saved. At 12:00 noon, Elder James Moore, Sr., of Richmond, Virginia gave us words from heaven. His subject was "It's Time to Plow the

Field," from Jeremiah 26:18, Micah 3:12, and Deuteronomy 21:10. After he finished we all knew we had some "plowing" to do. He did bless our hearts.

(A beautiful street service was witnessed on Thursday afternoon.)

Visitation was made to the Nursing Home on this day. The evangelist went and gave good news to those persons who could not come to us. The patients did not want these wonderful people to leave. Bishop Lindsey accompanied the group.

Thursday night was another night of giving God glory and thanks. The Ministry presented was "The Blood of Jesus," from Evangelist Milton Oliver of Chicago, Illinois. You see before your very eyes how a person can be changed from a sinner to a saint. After the Blood has been applied sin can't get in only if we open our hearts to it. He ministered and preached under the anointing of the Holy Ghost. Twenty five souls were saved on this night (that were counted) then they came so fast we lost count, we became interested only in those who came receiving what they came for.

Now the final day has arrived and our emotions, expectations and anticipations were at an all time high. The Faith Clinic was great as usual. At twelve noon our International Elect Lady, Dr. Reatha D. Herndon, spoke to our hearts. She chose for a subject "When I See The Blood, I Will Pass Over You," from Exodus 12:3, 7, 13. Mother with her wisdom, experience and spiritual insight into God's Word...left us at awe. The many years she has been in this Grand Church has given her the know how as an accomplished evangelist. She had us all standing before she had finished delivering to us what God had given her. God bless Mother R. D. Herndon.

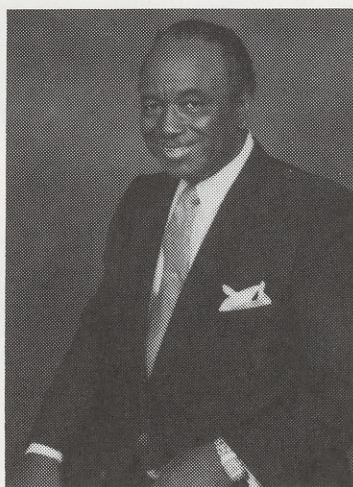
Visitation to the county jail was made on the afternoon of this day. Again the saints went to

deliver a message of hope to those persons who seemed hopeless, but again God in all his Holiness and wisdom saw fit to save. Sixteen of those inmates accepted Christ as their personal Saviour. What a reward for such a short length of time spent sharing Jesus. Bishop Lindsey accompanied the group here also.

The final night has finally arrived, the people are coming from all directions to hear our International President, Dr. Edward Lee Battles speak. Well before he brought us the Word of God, there were two presentations made from two young people from the president's local church in Forth Worth, Texas. Sister Jimi Florence acted out "The Faith of an Old Saint." She demonstrated what actually happened to some of the saints of yesteryear, and what "faith" in God will bring to pass. It blessed our hearts and kept us rejoicing on feet and in heart. Tiffany Haynes did a "Sign Interpretation" of WE SHALL BEHOLD HIM. Again we were uplifted as we thought about that day we are all living for, to behold Him. She demonstrated in such a way, that if you had not thought about Him coming back soon, as of that night it was on each mind.

It's now time for the president to speak. Just before he does, as always his wife, Sister Almyra Battles, reached our hearts with that hymn that is always numbered with the best "Amazing Grace." The president could do nothing but preach after a lift like we recieved from this anointed servant of God.

Our president chose for his subject "Facing Today's Giants," from I Samuel 17:42-45. I have heard the story of David and Goliath many times, but never the way it was preached through the power of the Holy Ghost on this night. He made clear to us the "giants" that we have in our life today, but we have a "David" to come and destroy the "Goliaths" that we



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run into in 1988. Jesus Christ our Redeemer who rescues from the giants and hides us under the shadow of His wing. This president preached a masterpiece. There were so many came for deliverance after this message sent from God, that we lost count again. Elder Albert Pass of Mississippi, compelled men and women, boys and girls that only Jesus can help you face the "giants," by ministering with them at the altar.

Two bus loads of saints came on Friday night to join us in magnifying and glorifying God. Evangelist Dickerson Wells is the State President of the Headquarters Jurisdiction, Memphis, Tennessee, from which these saints traveled.

Elder Noah Shumate of Los Angeles, California blessed us each day and night with congregational singing. Brother Ty Dowdy of Holly Hill, Florida rapped each night with a message of concern and hope, especially to the young people.

A total of 69 souls were registered as committed souls won to Jesus Christ during this Crusade Revival.

The saints came from Texas, Illinois, California, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Mississippi, Tennessee, Florida and Missouri and of course Arkansas supported every night to the extent of a full house.

Thank God for our president who God has given the vision and thank God for those of us who have caught the vision.

Many of the saints are now planning to attend the next revival, which will be held in Ohio, September 7, 8 and 9. The place is Cleveland, with Bishop R. S. Fields. Come and go with us we will do you good.

May God grant our president, Dr. E. L. Battles long life to continue to be a great soul winner for Kingdom building.

Evangelist Writer

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GENERAL SECRETARY:

Incumbent: Bishop G. R. Ross

New Nominations:

Elder Jesse D. Ellis
Elder C. Quillen
Bishop H. J. Williams

FINANCIAL SECRETARY:

Incumbent: Dr. S. Y. Burnett

TREASURER:

Incumbent: Bishop Theo Davis

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Incumbents:

Elder C. E. Anderson
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Elder Wilbert Daniel
Mr. A. B. Baxter
Mother S. C. Dinwiddie
Bishop Rodger L. Jones
Elder Robert Jones
Mr. Walter Jones
Elder Elton L. Lawrence
Elder Warren Miller
Bishop T. C. Perry
Elder C. S. Tucker
Bishop N. Wells, Jr.
Bishop S. L. Lowe
Elder Marcus L. Butler
Elder W. T. Cahoon

New Nominations:

T. Hammond
F. Smith
C. Howard
G. W. Harding
James Slaughter
Phillip Porter
J. Wright

The above named persons comprise the roster of candidates nominated and approved by the current 80th adjourned session of the General Assembly for the respective offices under which they are categorized. Persons who were not nominated during this session, but who wish to be qualified as a candidate, may do so by securing 100 signatures of pastors and/or ordained elders and submitting same to the Office of General Secretary prior to July 31, 1988. Forms are available in the Office of General Secretary.

Any nominee who desires to decline to run should tender his resignation to the Office of General Secretary.

A supplemental report will be forth coming from this office after July 31, reflecting the complete list of candidates for all offices including those who qualified by signatures.

God's choice benediction and blessings be with all of our wonderful leaders and the constituency of the greatest church in the world, the CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST.

Your humble servant,

BISHOP G. R. ROSS
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